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Coastal Carolina hosts "Dancing through the years" Dance Marathon



The sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma huddle around Grace Young, their CMN sponsor child. Participating fraternities and sororities sponsored children from McLeod's Children's Hospital for this event.

Dancers kick up their charitable heels

By Chandra Moesle
The Chanticleer

The enormous banner, stretched across the wall in Coastal Carolina University's Kimbel Arena, said it all Saturday. "Dancing the day away," which is what students turned out to do for a good cause.

The dance/music marathon helped raise funds for McLeod's Children's Hospital in Florence and students enjoyed music by local bands and disc jockeys from noon to midnight Saturday.

Balloons and wrapped gifts topping banquet tables created

a festive atmosphere in the music-filled college gymnasium.

"We've planned this since October," CCU senior Brian Behrens said. "The Children's Hospital asked for our help, and we thought a day of music and dancing would be great." The Office of Student Activities and Students Taking Active Responsibility (S.T.A.R.) sponsored the event, with Behrens as the overall chair and one of nine committee members organizing the event. He described the day as, "A big party of eating and dancing for a good cause."

Senior Terri Gilmore,

entertainment manager, booked five live bands well known to local music lovers.

Five popular local bands - Universal, The Drag, Four Way, Candella and the McDowell Shorecut Band, provided the live entertainment sprinkled throughout the 12-hour marathon.

"They all played for free through out the day and were happy to support the cause," Gilmore said.

Jonathan Wells, manager for The McDowell Shorecut Band,

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Making room for the freshmen

By Erin Collins
For The Chanticleer

The new freshman residence hall, Santee, will be ready for new occupants by August 2000. This new hall is the first to be finished out of several buildings already under construction due to the expansion and improvement of Coastal.

This building has been in the making since July 1999 and was needed to accommodate, "those freshmen who were a little late in returning their housing requests during the summer," said Wanda Shannon, administrative assistant of housing in Waccamaw Hall. "Now we will be able to house almost everyone applying for a room."

Santee Hall is a mirror image of Waccamaw Hall on the outside and has basically the same interior. The only difference in the new building is it was constructed with more quad rooms and has fresh new walls, carpeting and stairwells not previously contaminated by past occupants.

When a new housing complex is built on campus, one has to



photo by Jen Coffin

wonder whether the undergraduate numbers are increasing. In fact, the estimated freshmen enrollment for Fall 2000 is 850 students and 450 transfers, which is an increase over last year but not more than previous years. Therefore, class sizes will not grow and Coastal will remain an expanding, yet small community.

Over the years, incoming students have been consistently requesting dorm space and the construction of a new hall is meant to accommodate those requests.

"I believe in focusing on the undergraduates," said Judy Vogt, director of admissions. "Although I am happy that Coastal is growing and expanding, I would like the university to maintain its personal atmosphere that one feels when stepping on campus."

Buffing up for the summer

By Jeanine Guerrero
For The Chanticleer

A lot of students work out in the gym, some sparingly and others quite rigorously, for reasons such as athletic training, competition, or personal fitness. But, with the summer months approaching, one has to wonder if one of those reasons, not mentioned above, is to look good on the beach.

Ahron Mack and Danielle Bamsord both said that they work out only to keep themselves fit, even though Bamsord does admit that looking good on the beach is a perk. They also said that working out is something they do all year round, not just for one season.

As far as what they particularly like about working out, Bamsord said she "can get some exercise at a convenient location," and Mack made it a point to say that "[he liked] nothing in particular about working out" because he liked everything about it.

Michael Rivers, on the other hand, stated that he too works specifically in preparation for the summer season.

"I've worked hard and earned the right to show off and the beach is the perfect opportunity to do that," he said.

All in all, students have many reasons for working out, whether they want to stay fit or prepare for

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Back to school later in life

By Maria Pavelek
For The Chanticleer

Scan the faces of students as you walk through campus and you may see someone you knew in high school. Chances are you may also see someone your parents knew in high school.

The faces of college students are changing; they are getting older. It is harder than ever to describe the "typical college student," if indeed one exists at all.

In a report from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness comparing students age 25-64 to overall student population, nontraditional students comprised 17.8 percent of undergraduates enrolled here at Coastal. The School of Education has seen the largest enrollment of nontraditional students here, with 21.9 percent.

The reasons people return to college later in life are as varied as the people themselves. "I have

a Political Science Degree already," said Nancy Carle, a manager at Blue Cross/Blue Shield and part time Coastal student. Carle earned her degree 10 years ago and is now pursuing a degree in education.

"I think it's fun to try different things in life. I think a lot of people these days change careers after awhile. It may take me four or five years to finish this degree, but I'm

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Increased gas prices hit home

By Brian Lowe
For The Chanticleer

In the past months, gas prices have fluctuated between \$1.50 per gallon to \$2 per gallon.

As the prices remain high for long periods of time, they can have a noticeable effect on a person's budget, especially if that person is a full time college student.

At a university like

Coastal, these effects are much more obvious because of the large number of students who commute to and from school daily. Many students, who depend on their parents to help them out financially, are now put in a tough situation.

"No one likes to call home to ask for money," said sophomore Erin Collins.

Some students, who are financially independent, must adjust their own budget

to allow for the gas prices. Sophomore Bradley Vogel said, "I just have a few less cocktails on the weekend to even it out."

Other students question the fairness of prices at self-service gas stations. "I don't understand why we pay the same prices as New Jersey, when we pump our own gas," said junior Amanda Levy.

The longer the gas prices stay high, the more

noticeable the effect on people's bank accounts will become.

Junior Jessica Van Steen said, "It went from \$8 to \$12 to fill up my tank. It sucks."

A few dollars each time you stop at a gas station can add up to a significant dollar amount. One of the best ways to save a couple of bucks in this situation is to carpool to and from school or work with the students who live around you.

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in no hurry," Carle added.

Alicin Johnson had started college, but gave it up when she got married.

"My husband encouraged me to continue with school back then, but I worked during the day and at night I wanted to be with him," said Johnson. "Then we had children and I wanted to be home with them."

Now that Johnson's children are of school age she has returned to finish her degree.

The most difficult part of attending college later in life is fitting it in with an already packed schedule. Most older students work full or part time, and many have children.

"I do my school work after the kids are in bed. I'm usually up until after midnight, every night," said Theresa Henderson. "Even though it's exhausting it's the best thing I've done for myself in years." Henderson has three children and waitresses on weekends.

"I wasn't ready for college right after high school," said Clayton Moore, 25, "I just wanted to party. Now I'm ready to focus on the future."

So whether one is looking for a change in career, intellectual stimulation, or have finally decided it's time to grow up, these students have learned that it's never too late to return to college.

Summertime means money for students

By Brian Lowe
For The Chanticleer

As the tourist season steadily approaches, more and more "help wanted" signs begin to appear around Myrtle Beach.

Many students who stay in this area throughout the summer are able to take advantage of the major revenue that local businesses bring during the summer months.

Among the most popular

jobs for the summer include waiting tables and bar tending. The more money restaurants and bars make, the more students earn during their shifts. In these jobs, students can earn between \$100 and \$200 dollars per shift.

Other hourly paying jobs are not quite as popular

because as profits soar, the pay rate will remain the same. For example, hourly rates in retail don't fluctuate with profit margin.

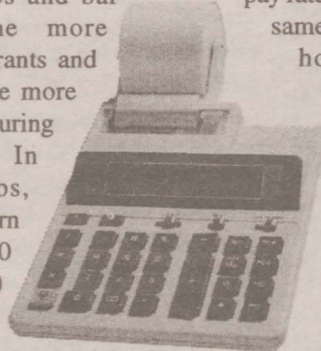
Sophomore Andrew Freedman said, "Hourly wages are

good in the winter, but don't compare to the opportunity

for waiters in the summertime."

Many students who go home for the summer may not realize the opportunity for making money in Myrtle Beach. Students from other areas come here to take advantage.

When making plans for summer, consider the opportunity to earn great money, meet hundred of tourists and enjoy the beach at the same time.



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Marathon raises money for McLeod's children's hospital

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and CCU senior said, "We're always willing to participate in a charity, and it's just nice to play for the crowd."

Marathon participants were also moved by local DJs, who got the crowd "backing that thing up," while instructors were on hand to teach dance techniques including salsa and the shag. A group of around 45 jump and jivers, who were taught to swing dance by CCU alumna, Adelia Ellis, received a marathon T-shirt for participation.

Gilmore said, "The event was open to everyone, so we hoped for a lot of people participating in the entertainment."

For those who

did not want to dance, they could relax, enjoy the music, and eat. An overflowing concession stand was up and running. Allison Joslyn, the event's food chairwoman said, "We made sure that there was plenty of food and drinks available to everyone."

Arbys provided a mound

of 500 sandwiches, while Burger King added 300 to that number. Area restaurants like Shuckers, Santinos, and the Bagel Factory also contributed to the event.

"We planned for everyone to have seconds," said Joslyn with a smile. Any drink that one may wish for was available at no cost, including a huge coffee urn located by a frosted cake to keep everyone's sugar and caffeine highs supplied until midnight.

Additional incentives to keep spirits high all day was a prize table with 10 brightly wrapped gifts filled with small presents and certificates for tanning, California Pizza, Yesterdays, the Olive Garden and many more.

"Area restaurants were more than willing to provide for the event when they found out about the cause," said Joslyn.

The concert format marathon was a fund-raising event for the Children's Miracle Network, benefiting McLeod Children's Hospital.

"The hospital relies on fund-raisers for their income, and this was a fun way to really help out those children," Behrens said.

Funds raised by the marathon will be used to benefit children who suffer from muscular dystrophy, birth defects, burns, abuse, cystic fibrosis, AIDS and cancer.

Food, live bands, DJs, contests and visits from children who are patients at McLeod made the day a fun

and meaningful occasion. Coastal students and the general public were invited to munch and boogie for a minimum donation of \$15.

"I think people are happy to get involved in events like

this," said Behrens, also a co-coordinator of S.T.A.R. "Dancers raised money by having a good time, and all proceeds go directly to the children."



photo by Coreen Lembo/The Chanticleer
Allison Joslyn helped serve bagels from the Chants Express to hungry dancers.



photo by Randall Hill/The Sun News
Takenya Hunter, junior psychology major and Franklin Ellis, senior psychology major swing dance at Saturday's dance marathon.

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Coastal track is on the field of success

COASTAL Sports

By Jeanine Guerrero
For The Chanticleer

The track and field season is going great for both the men's and women's teams.

Jim Koster, coach of the men's team, and Allen Connie, coach of the women's team, are both very proud of the way things are turning out and hope that it continues that way.

"I'm looking forward to the Big South Conference, in hopes of the team making the top two like they did last year, when they placed second," said Koster.

Connie is looking forward to the Big South Track and Field Championship, in Asheville, N.C., after they go to their last three meets. Connie also makes it a point to mention that he feels his team is the "best balanced [he's] had and the best group of young talent [he's] had in all [his] years as a coach."

Both teams are alike, yet different in some aspects. Although they both work

with the same events, such as the hammer throw, discus, distance running, they both concentrate on different ones. While the men's team, which has 20 athletes, splits their areas of expertise into distance runners, sprinters, jumpers, and throwers. The women's team, which has 38 athletes, splits their areas of expertise into cross-country, indoor track, and outdoor track.

Of these areas, there are key players, ones who show a substantial amount of achievement in their area, such as senior Tyler McCart of Snellville, Ga., on the men's hammer throw team, who placed one of the top 10 in the nation and qualified for the NCAA Championship Meet. McCart also holds the school record for longest throw, 208 feet.

"God has blessed [him]" and finds that "this season, so far, has gone very good," McCart feels.

Senior Jolene Williams,

on the women's indoor/outdoor team, achieved second at the NCAA Championship (indoor track), seventh at the NCAA Championship (outdoor track), and was the only one to become Big South Female Student Athlete of the Year twice. Unfortunately, Williams will not be able to compete this season because of a non-track related surgery.

There are also more key players from different categories and teams. Senior Karl Byrne, of the distance runner team and from Dublin, Ireland, set a school record in the 800-meter race with 1:52.5, one minute, fifty-two point five seconds. Also, from the same team, sophomore Campbell Claridge, from Lower Hutt, New Zealand, set a school record in the 1500-meter race, and freshman Jason Andrews, from Lakewood, N.J., holds a school record of 1:52.7, one minute, fifty-two point seven seconds, in the

800-meter race. Not to mention, Mike Roden, of the throwers team and from Corry, Pa., holds the discus record of 151 feet.

C.C. Kamp, of the sprinters/jumpers team, from Covington Georgia, is the returning Big South 100-meter champion, runs a school record for the 100-meter dash, and set a school record at the 400-meter relay, with 41.6 seconds. He's also the anchor for the top three runners: freshman Jontae Snipes, from Mebane, N.J., who broke the school record with 49.3 seconds, senior Matt Maxwell, from Englishtown, N.J., who holds the school record for the top decathlete, with 6,300 points, and sophomore Jarek Kulesza, from Laval, Quebec. From the women's team, sophomore Courtney Samuel is currently leading the Big South Conference with the ranking for triple

jump and high jump and she is second in the long jump and 100-meter hurdles. Also, freshman Amber Campbell leads the conference in three events, shot put, discus, and hammer throw. Not to

mention, there's also the talented freshman distance runners: Kara Koppel, Kym Weselak, Robyn Witter, and Marisa Ryan. Ritter, who participates in the 1500-meter, 3000 meter, and 5000 meter race, is very

proud of the team she is on and said, "we're young and have a lot of talent, even though some of the team members have injuries from overuse--common amongst runners."

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Radford	4	2	.667	15	13	0	.535	8-5	7-8	0-0	W3
Charleston Southern	7	4	.636	17	19	1	.473	14-13-1	3-6	0-0	W3
Elon	5	4	.556	23	12	0	.657	14-6	9-6	0-0	L3
Winthrop	2	3	.400	20	16	0	.555	11-9	6-4	3-3	L4
UNC Asheville	3	9	.222	12	16	0	.429	1-6	8-7	3-3	W1
High Point	1	8	.111	8	22	1	.274	4-10	4-12-1	0-0	L5

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Winthrop	3	1	.750	25	15	.625		15-5	7-4	3-6	W1
Radford	1	1	.500	6	27	.181		5-2	0-13	1-12	W2
Liberty	0	0	.000	22	19	.537		7-1	0-1	15-17	L5
Coastal Carolina	0	0	.000	17	21	.417		9-3	2-5	6-13	W3
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How far would you go to earn a buck?

The majority of college students are always broke. Being "poor" is a way of life for the four or more years it takes to get the highly-priced, fancy paper with your name on it.

Sometimes bills are late, sometimes they go unpaid, but eventually you've got to do something. Study less, work more, take on a second job, and even that may not do the trick. So, when you get an offer to sell your bodily fluids, do you do it?

Believe it or not, college students all over the U.S. are selling their sperm or eggs to make money. Why sperm and eggs? Well, you don't get money for donating your blood anymore, so students have to sell something to make money. The American Association of Tissue Banks says that 50 percent or more donors come from college campuses.

Before you run off to make some "fast" cash, there are some things you might need to know, like it's not "fast" cash. It is a long process before you can donate an egg.

Both egg and sperm donors go through an extensive genetic and medical history process. And both donations go through many tests. So how come a woman will get \$2,000 (some places, like New York, pay \$5,000) for her eggs and a man will only get about \$55 for his sperm? It is all in the process.

Women go through a month of injections, medications and doctor's visits, before the eggs are actually taken. It takes somewhere between two to three months to find a recipient and a chance of infection, bleeding, ovarian cysts, and temporary bloating after the eggs are retrieved. This is why the procedure pays so well; these women work hard for their money.

Men, on the other hand, can leave a donation the day they walk into the clinic. But they still have to wait to get paid. They get half the money up front, but the rest comes after the sperm has been tested for HIV and other diseases.

There are also moral issues. Could you deal with the fact that you will never know your unborn child? Or, that sometime down the line you may see a child and wonder if it is yours?

Well Coastal, here's what a small sample of you, ranging from ages 17 to 22, had to say: Women- 33.3% yes to donation and 66.7% no to donation. Men- 66.7% yes to donation and 33.3% no to donation.

The majority of yes's came from a need for money, helping others, and in the men's case, lack of pain.

"Yes, I'm broke and need the cash," Brett Baker said.

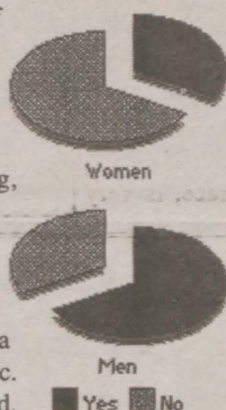
"I would definitely consider selling an egg, depending on the price. It is not as if I am going to be using any eggs in the near future, so I might as well give someone else the chance," Heather Young said.

The no's geared more towards the moral issues. "Not that I am against helping people who may need it, but to do something as drastic as giving my eggs for money would be against my better judgement. If I need money that badly, I'd rather work my butt off for it instead of practically selling my body or part of it!" Nikki Hill said.

"I think that students should look for other options - like getting a job. Also, I feel that children have the right of knowing who their parents are," Jerrod Paige said.

For more information on sperm and egg donations, check out these web sites: www.aatb.org (The American Association of Tissue Banks) www.nccrm.com (North Carolina Center for Reproductive Medicine) www.ronsangels.com (See how to buy models eggs and sperm!)

Would you?



Pilgrimage to Haifa

Part II of III

That Monday, Mom and I took a cab to our hotel in Haifa. The cab driver was a really nice guy, and he told us lots of things about Israel. The city of Haifa is dominated by Mount Carmel. The hotel was right on the top of it. It took about almost two hours to get there. The hotel was really nice. The first thing we had to do was to get to the Baha'i pilgrimage house to register. I met almost everyone else who was on pilgrimage. There was a woman there whom my mother hadn't seen in years. After getting registered, we were put into our group and were told about the places and things we would be doing in the next eight days. There are a lot of Baha'i holy places in Israel, especially in Haifa and Acca. Over the next few days, I had so much fun. The weather was absolutely gorgeous up until the last day. The Mediterranean sea is crystal blue and green. The view from the hotel showed all of downtown Haifa and the Mediterranean bay. There were usually five to ten large ships in the bay. I did see a submarine once in a while. Israel is really protected. The Baha'i gardens and shrines are so beautiful and we came at the



Lua Kozlow
The Chanticleer

right time because all the flowers were in bloom. All the places we went had religious significance to the Baha'is. On our free time, Mom and I would go to the Hadar, which is the huge shopping/tourist area in Haifa. We had wanted to get some Halva (a delicious dessert) to take back with us and also some other things my brothers and some friends had wanted. One day we found this huge shopping center. It was sort of like a mall. Before we could even get in, a security guy had to check our purses to make sure we weren't carrying a bomb. When we first entered there was a huge section with perfumes and jewelry. The grocery store was underground, and we had to walk down steps to get to it. I must say that things are much more expensive in Haifa than in the United States. By the way, Israeli money is called the "Shekel." The fruit in Haifa was amazing because it was so fresh and sweet. Breakfasts at the hotel were

Pilgrimage to Haifa

From the culture

8 day pilgrimage

Hadar - huge shopping and tourist area in Haifa

Halva - delicious dessert

Shekel - Israeli money

Fact: Israeli law against driving while talking on a cellular phone

COASTAL Forum



really nice and they would serve an assortment of cheeses, yogurts, eggs, fruits, vegetables, and breads. I truly enjoyed those breakfasts. For lunch and dinner, Mom and I had to get our own things. Sometimes we ate "shwama," which are little pieces of cooked lamb stuffed in pita bread. It was pretty good, but a tad bit salty. Also, we ate "philaffels," which are balls of fried garbanzo beans stuffed in pita bread and vegetables.

We did notice that almost everyone there was fit. Some of the women have an obsession with dying their hair a shade of red. I even saw some older women with orange hair. Before I go any further, I must mention the

country has an obsession with cell phones. I thought Americans were bad about that, but if you walk down the street almost every one has a cell phone, or sometimes even more than one. There is an Israeli law that a person cannot have his/her cell phone at his ear while driving. There are heavy fines if one is caught doing that. Also, the police sometimes are by the side of the road with a video camera filming the traffic, and if you are caught speeding on the tape, you will receive a ticket a couple of days later in the mail. For the next issue, I will discuss details of the outings on my trip and my trip back home. To be concluded . . .

JEN COFFIN / Editor-in-Chief

High maintenance people won't survive in the real world

How vain could you be? While on 501, the car next to me suddenly started to jerk side to side and swerved close into my lane. Trapped behind a big rig truck and unable to escape the situation, I looked over to see what the problem was. To my dismay, I saw that in a vain attempt to apply lipstick, the driver was straining her neck to observe herself in the rear view mirror. I shifted to my evil glare mode and for a few seconds stared her down for her bad judgment. I was hoping that my angry eyes would pierce and shatter her stupidity and make her realize that this was not the ideal place to be primping yourself. She never took

notice of my frustration, only continued in her disastrous effort for attraction.

When this woman causes a wreck, the officer is not going to ask her, "Hey, I like your lipstick. What color is that, mocha or pink topaz?" I don't think anyone really cares. So, why do it in the car? Either she running late for a crucial meeting at work or on her way to some shopping expedition. But, that man she is meeting had better be damn hot because she is putting other people's lives at risk to look good for him.

I agree that it is important to look good because some people judge you based on your appearance. But don't

do it in the car next to me. I have enough things to worry about in my life, let alone a high maintenance person powdering their nose in their car. Do me, and everyone else who wants to stay alive, a favor, get yourself ready before to shift into drive. Brush your hair, put on your lipstick and curl your eyelashes prior to going

down the road, so others won't get hurt on account of your distracted driving skills.

Its bad enough that people are on the road and their ears are permanently glued to their cell phones. But at least they have their eyes on the road and are not worried about what others think of them.

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Thursday April 27, 2000
WHEELWRIGHT AUDITORIUM

Doors open at 7:00pm/ show starts at 8:00pm

Tickets available in the Office of Student Activities

April 6-7 to CCU students only

April 10-27 to Students and the General Public

\$5.00 CCU Students / \$10.00 Non-CCU Students

Pete's Final Thoughts as SGA President

I would like to thank and congratulate the 1999-2000 Student Government Association. The SGA took on numerous tasks this year and strived to maintain the philosophy of CINO (Coastal is Number One). The SGA invited and welcomed two presidential candidates to Coastal's campus, Gov. George W. Bush and former ambassador Alan Keyes. We made great strides to improve the quality of campus life and focus on the positive. This was accomplished by numerous resolutions, which focused on recycling, advisor evaluations, increasing the student activities fees that provided for more campus events, recognizing the need for a course in sign language and trying to gain campus support on renovating the intramural fields.

SGA has also showed their support and rallied around other events this year by helping with programs such as Friendship in the Age of Aids, Dance Marathon, Homecoming and the memorial services for our

friends and fellow students, Joseph Zangari and Lee Pierucci. This year also marked Coastal/SGA's first Leadership Conference that provided different educational forums and proved to be a great success. One of the last accomplishments I would like to acknowledge is the hard work that went into the revision of the SGA Constitution that was recently passed by the student body during elections.

This year has been very exciting and probably one of the best learning experiences of my life. I loved serving the student body and I know my executive board has too. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my executive board for their hard work. David Woodley, first of all, congratulations on being elected as next year's student body president. You are a very hard worker, who has a great sense of professionalism. Even though David has not served as vice president the

entire year, SGA could not have accomplished what we did without him. Maegan Carsey, SGA Treasurer, thanks for all your hard work on allocations and congratulations on earning your degree. The last person I would like to thank on the executive board is Allison Joslyn, SGA Secretary, who was one of the hardest and most dedicated workers I know. Even though Allison and I didn't run on the same ticket last year, I found that I could always relate and rely on her. Thanks Allison for sticking by SGA through out the entire year and supporting all our endeavors. SGA received strong support from the Office of Student Activities this year and I would especially like to thank Matt Morrin for his extremely hard work and support. The SGA also received a lot of support from our advisor, Pat Singleton-Young and the vice president of Student Affairs, Dr. Robert "Bob" Squatriglia. Last, but not least, thank you to all the senators!

New Date for Financial Aid Settlement Checks

Settlement checks for the fall 2000

semester will be issued on

August 24, 2000



Due to an overwhelming response from students, Coastal Carolina University has extended the 100 percent refund period from two days to four days (through August 22, 2000) for the fall 2000 semester. This will allow you to attend four days of classes and drop without incurring any tuition charges. Because of the change of this policy, the issuance of settlement checks will also be extended. Settlement checks will now be distributed on August 24, 2000. Please make a note of this change.

Students who have a credit on their account for the fall 2000 semester will be able to pick up their settlement checks on August 24, 2000, provided all funds are available for disbursement.

Books can be charged at the Coastal Carolina Bookstore through August 24, 2000, provided there is a credit on your account. After August 22, 2000, the Bursar's Office will determine your eligibility to charge books.

The Student Government Association has three executive positions to fill for the 2000-2001 academic year:

Speaker Pro Tempore
Parliamentarian
Public Relations Director
(web experience desired)

The job descriptions will be posted outside the SGA office in the Student Center. Applications are due April 28. They should be given to a member of the SGA Executive staff or placed in the president's mailbox in the Student Activities Office.

David C. Woodley (349-2355)
SGA President

Eric "Sarge" Sauthoff
SGA Treasurer

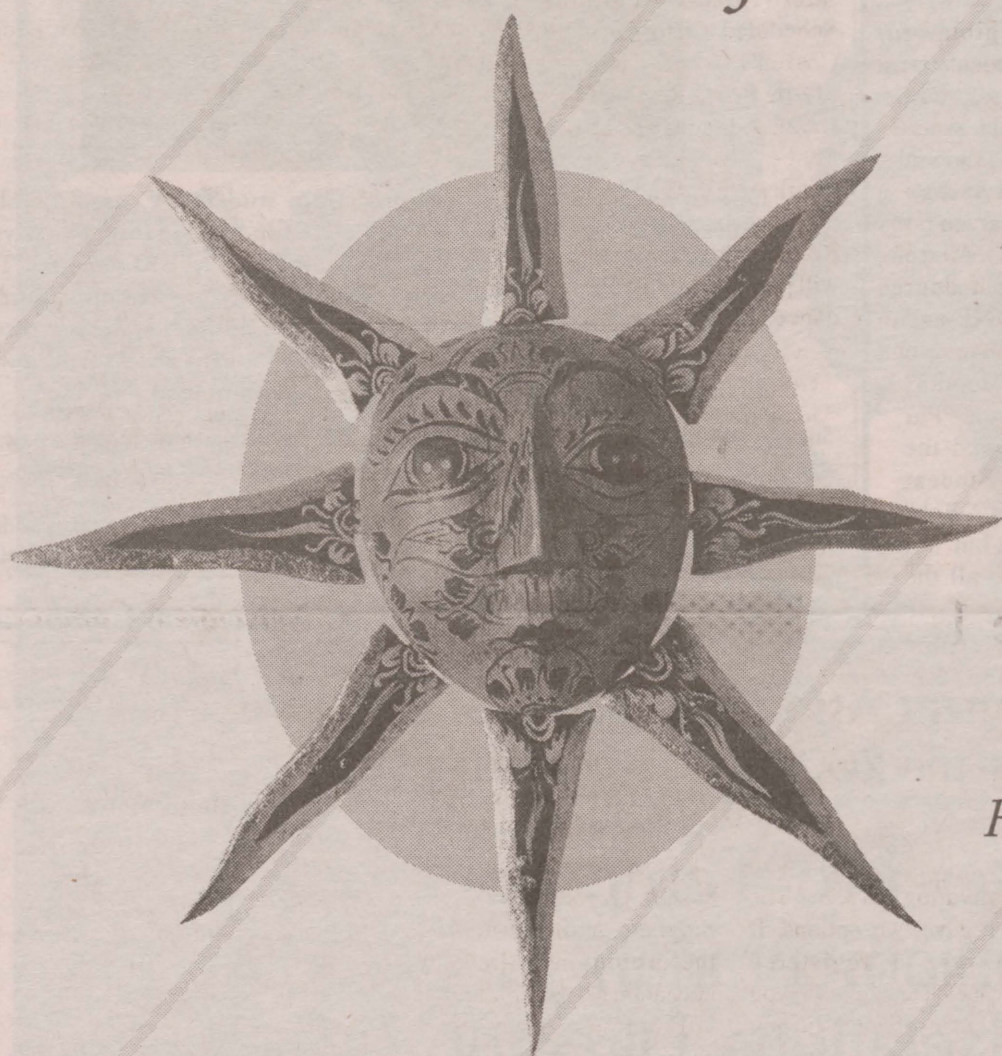
Brett Hysinger
SGA Vice President

Michelle Ward
SGA Secretary

Coastal Carolina University's African American Celebration
presents

2000 Cultural Celebration

"A festival recognizing diversity"



Wednesday, April 12

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Spadoni Park

Free and open to the public

Rain date: Wednesday, April 19, 2000

OUTDOOR FESTIVITIES

with entertainment, music, art and food



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INFORMATION:

Office of Multicultural Student Services

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Coastal Briefs

Hurricane Floyd Survivors

Coastal Carolina University's Financial Aid Office has received funds from the Federal Government to help students who were affected by Hurricane Floyd and the flood. If you experienced problems last fall and it impacted your academics, please contact the Office of Financial Aid, Singleton Building, room 119, 349-2313. We may be able to help fund your education. Documentation is required.

"The Living Cross"

First United Methodist Church in Conway will present its third annual "The Living Cross," a dramatic Easter musical production on April 21-22 at 8 p.m., and April 23 at 4 p.m., at the church on Fifth Avenue. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under.

Tickets are available by calling the church office at 488-4251.

Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society

On March 9, the Coastal Carolina University Chapter of the Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society held an induction ceremony for its newest members. The inductees include, Trudy Bazemore, Barry Donohue, Nacole Edwards, Patty Fine, Deborah Floyd, Karen Hampton, Bo Hu, Doris Lysterly, Christine Martin, Linda Martin, Ricky Oakley, Karen Owens, Dana Parrott, Maria Pavelek, Faye Slater, William Taaffe, Barbara Todd, Hjortur Vigfusson and Jeffrey Wolfe.

New officers elected that evening include, Barry Donohue, president; William Taaffe, vice-president; Maria Pavelek, secretary; and Bo Hu, treasurer.

The Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society was established in 1945-1946 to recognize adult students in higher education who have achieved academic excellence while fulfilling the many responsibilities of family, work, and community service. The Coastal Carolina Chapter was established on October 31, 1998 through the efforts of Coastal's Division of Extended Learning and Public Services.

To be eligible for membership, students must meet the following criteria: 24 graded semester hours at Coastal Carolina University; highest 10 percent of the class; minimum grade point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale; be enrolled in a degree program at CCU as an undergraduate student, and student must be 25 years of age or older.

Congratulations to all the new members of Alpha Sigma Lambda!

Cultural Celebration Festival

The 10th annual Cultural Celebration festival will be from 11:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 in Spadoni Park. The events are free and open to the public. Food and merchandise will be available for sale.

The festival will feature entertainment from many international cultures. Scheduled performers are: Coastal's Gospel Choir; the Myrtle Beach Regional Pipe Band; Adande, an African dance troupe from Charleston, S.C.; Elements, a reggae band from Baton Rouge, La.; Zanobia, who will perform Middle Eastern dances; the North Myrtle Beach High School Jazz Band; and Adalia Ellis' Baha'i Workshop, which will feature a children's song and dance program on the theme of unity.

To kick-off the

celebration, rising Latin singer Luis Damón and his 15-member salsa band will perform a concert on Tuesday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Spadoni Park.

Contact Pat Singleton-Young in Coastal's Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2304.

Honors Convocation

The Honors Convocation, an occasion for the faculty's recognition of outstanding academic achievement by students and colleagues, will be at 7 p.m. April 24 in the Wheelwright Auditorium. Recognitions include the Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award, the Student Affairs Division Award, the Ronald D. Lackey Service Award, the Faculty's Academic Excellence Award, the Distinguished Teacher-Scholar Lecturer Award, the Honors Program, and honor societies.

The Student Government Association and the Office of

the Provost will host a reception in the lobby of Wheelwright Auditorium after the Convocation.

Omicron Delta Kappa

CCU Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa has invited 22 students and two faculty members to membership, with initiation scheduled for April 26 at 7 p.m. in the Wall Auditorium. The following will be initiated: Seniors, Chaille Blout, David Chewing, Azure Dodd, Lory Lachapelle, Jelena Mirkovic, Stephanie Sorrell, Jennifer Spencer and David Woodley; Juniors, Sarah Arends, Eric Bellamy, Ryan Brandenburg, Selena Brockington, Rhett Graham, Jessica Hysinger, Chris Malinky, Brianne Meagher, Eric Sauthoff, Daniel Stewart, Risa Tritt, Stacia Weaver and Dwight Williams; and Faculty, Darla Domke-Damonte and Mary Crowe.

Netizen Review

Netscape 6 Preview Release 1

By Philip Sellers / The Chanticleer

Last Monday, Netscape Corp. released a preview version of its web browser. This is the first serious upgrade in over two years from the company since its acquisition by America Online. AOL seems to be on the right track with this preview release. Netscape 6 dropped the Communicator

or Navigator distinction in the preview release. This may ride throughout, or separate versions may emerge.

On the functionality side, Netscape has long incorporated AOL's Instant Messenger (AIM) into its software bundle, however with this release, Netscape

built in AIM to the browser itself. Upon my installation, the first run of the browser prompted me with an activation screen. The screen gave two options. If you were a registered Netscape Netcenter user, you could log in. If you were not, you could sign up. Part of the ploy here is to personalize the browsing experience. This, like other portions of the preview, is a good idea, but it is just not fully developed. At this point, there is no apparent interface for multiple users as in Communicator 4.72.

The other blatant changes are to the appearance of the browser. Netscape 6 is not your typical Windows application. Matter of fact, 6 resembles more of a web page than an application. With plans to introduce skins for the browser, Netscape will be a dream for a more playful audience.



Netscape 6 Components

Netscape Navigator

Smaller, faster and fully standards compliant, Netscape Navigator offers innovative new features to help you find things and stay connected to important information.

My Sidebar

Keeps you connected to what is important to you

Netscape Mail

The best place to manage all your Internet communications. Access multiple mail accounts (including AOL Mail), and use integrated instant messaging to stay in touch more quickly.

Netscape Instant Messenger

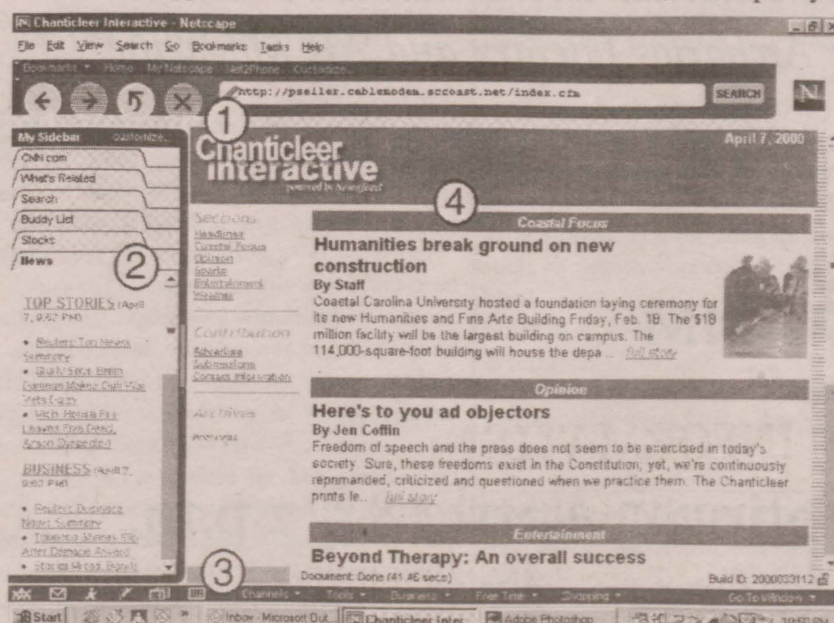
Integrated instant messaging lets you stay in touch and instantly communicate with your online friends and business associates.

Netscape Composer

Quickly and easily standards-compliant web documents - without knowing HTML.

System Requirements and Supported Platforms

- Windows 95, Windows 98, or NT 3.5.1 with 486 or later; 133 MHz, 32MB of RAM
- Windows NT 4.0 or Windows 2000 with 486 or later; 133 MHz, 48 MB of RAM
- Mac OS 8.5 or 8.6.1 with PowerPC; PPC 604/200, 32MB of RAM, with VM (virtual memory) turned on
- Linux 2.2 or higher with glibc2.1 (for instance, Red Hat x86, Linux 6.x, 7.0, etc.) with 486 or later; 133 MHz, 48 MB of RAM



1) Netscape's improved appearance is refreshing. 2) Borrowing from the ideas at Microsoft, the links bar is a new introduction. 3) The launch buttons for the Netscape components are still available with new additions to Channels, free time and shopping available now. 4) Just a sneak peak, but next year's Chanticleer Interactive will be a more reliable source for your news.

Boy Band Confessions

By Linda Romano
The Dartmouth
Dartmouth College

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. -- My name is Linda and I like boy bands.

Something tells me I should be ashamed of myself for admitting that. I feel like some sort of social degenerate, as if I am the type of person who helps blind people only halfway across the street or something. But that little phrase actually represents a very big step in my journey towards self-awareness.

Just a year ago, I would not have been able to say that to myself, let alone put it in print. A year ago, if someone had asked me to listen to a Backstreet Boys or 'N Sync CD, I would have said something snide like, "I only listen to music, thank you." But something happened to me last summer. All of a sudden, "I Wanted It

That Way." I didn't even know what That Way was, but I had to have It, whatever It was. And the only way for me to get It was to sneak into my younger sister's room when no one else was home.

Things got worse when I had to come back to school for Sophomore Summer. I had no idea of how I was going to get It while I was here. I quickly began to wake up in the morning and want It. Then I missed It while I was at work or class. Soon, I couldn't follow people's conversations because all I could think about was when I could get it It next.

Then, I started

mixing. I moved from It, to other variations of It. The low point was when my roommate walked in on me singing my heart out to It, and I still tried to deny how much I needed It. I was in a bad place.

Faced with such obvious evidence, I finally chose to embrace my character smudge. This clarity comes just in time, since ABC has just started airing a show called "Making the Band." The show is not any more complicated than its title implies; it tracks a boy band from start to finish. The large

and rather unattractive man who was the force behind the Backstreet Boys and 'N Sync decided that the world needs one more boy band. I think I speak for everyone when I say, "Damn right we do!"

Boy band fans, fear not. This

is the show we haven't allowed ourselves to dream about. Not only do we get some more catchy music, but we also get the stories. We get to learn for ourselves who the quiet one is, and which guy is the fashion plate. We can watch them party, we can watch them sleep, we can even watch them battle the emotions of being miles away from their families and their girlfriends. Sigh.

Other than the show's addictive qualities, I realize that not only is the show pretty harmless, but the whole boy band craze itself doesn't pose much of a threat. So why does everyone hate boy bands? It seems to me that the boy bands aren't the problem -- the people in them are nice enough and relatively humble -- none of them have claimed to be bigger than Jesus or anything. Everyone I know who ranks on these bands says something along the lines of "All of those

bands are the same. What's so great about a bunch of guys dressing the same and singing the same kinds of music?"

But everyone forgets that this country thrives on living life according to already successful formulas. Millions of people, all dressed in some variation of a business suit, trek to work each morning and sit at their desks. But if I were to claim that most of them were extraneous, because, hey, who really needs that many paper-pushers, the corporate drones would be highly offended. Why the sudden objection to similarity?

I am not claiming that these groups will be around forever -- I doubt that you'll see any 50-

year-old Backstreet Boys hobbling around on stage at a reunion tour. It's entirely possible that the same groups who are selling millions of CDs this week will be gone by this time next year. I am not even claiming that their music is good. Actually, I think of boy band music in the same way that I think of this very column: is it a literary masterpiece? I think not. But am I having fun -- sure, and that's fine.

So I say: Loosen up, folks! Stop taking yourselves and everything around you so seriously. And definitely don't let a bunch of singing guys get you down. They aren't trying to hurt you, I promise. All they want to do is sing their music; if you want to listen, good for you. And if you need someone to validate your desire to blast some Backstreet Boys, or the like, from your stereo, come find me.

Just don't find me from 9:30-10 on Friday nights. I'll be busy "Making the Band."



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For more information, contact our office at 349.2328; visit us in Student Center 209; or email us at Archarios@coastal.edu.

Help Me, Harlan

Reader is caught with drug tale between his legs

DEAR HARLAN,
I have not yet read a drug tale in your column, so I hope you will publish mine.

One day back in November my friends and I were headed back to campus at 1:30 in the morning after a night out. We were pulled over. We were immediately taken out of the car and searched. Unfortunately, I had a joint in my pocket and was whisked away to the police department.

I'm now two months into my one-year probation, but my parole officer informed me that my arrest may not clear my record by the time I wish to apply for a job. It is sad that my future may be affected by such a meaningless and harmless crime, but it can happen to anyone.

Word to the wise, if you are in car and you have drugs, you are in danger. You do not have any rights because a determined cop will always find what you have in your pocket.

The courts aren't fair either. Good luck stoners and beware.

F. Justice

Dear Justice,

And who is supposed to feel sorry for you? This isn't so shocking - when you transport drugs you're going to get in trouble. It's not a big secret. And this isn't about a determined cop. It's about a dumb guy (you) packing a joint in his pocket and taking a risk and getting busted. You might be a smart guy every other moment, but you're momentary lapse of judgement might haunt you for a lifetime.

It could be a good idea to think about your drug habit while in court.

HIV scare could be on your campus

DEAR HARLAN,
I just moved here to attend college and I've had many problems making friends. I've been told that my campus has a significant gay population.

Anyway, I found out this guy I had been talking to (not sleeping with) is HIV positive. I also found out that he was hooking up on the Internet for one-night stands and having unprotected sex with anyone he can get and not telling them he is HIV positive.

When it came time for him to hook-up with someone I know I told this person about this little problem and somehow my HIV positive friend found out that I told my friend. Now, he is trashing my reputation. I found out that many people infected here are not honest about it. Not only does it give gays a stereotype, but also it's immoral.

Was it the right thing to do to tell my friend about the potential danger?

Not about a hook-up

Dear Not about a hook-up,

This has got to be one of the scariest letters I've ever received.

This guy could be spreading HIV in the gay community and heterosexual community as we speak. You had to do what you had to do and you can't second-guess yourself.

I first wanted to let everyone reading know that I confirmed that this letter was real with the letter writer. And as far as anyone reading this reply is concerned this is happening on your campus or in your community. It's so incredibly scary for everyone.

Anyone who is sexually active is at risk for HIV - gay, straight or bisexual. While the gay community might be more aware of the risk of HIV, it's important to understand

that this guy might have been with a bisexual partner living a double life as heterosexual male (which is more common than anyone thinks is true).

Last month, I was attending a speaking convention in Boston. One of the featured speakers was a 26-year-old girl who had unprotected sex. She and her boyfriend at the time went in to get tested as a precaution before getting intimate and she was floored with the news.

She was HIV positive.

Her entire life changed in a flash. It ended up the guy she was with this one time had also been with several other women who later tested positive for HIV. She was shocked and now shares her story with others. The reality is that HIV is still a huge risk on campus.

While researching this letter I talked to several health officials on various campuses. I wanted them to be aware that this is happening and to remind people to be safe. The response from campus officials was one of personal responsibility.

Each person needs to be accountable for his or her own sexual health. It's terrifying to think that everyone is at risk, but it's a reality and precautions need to be taken.

The only way to be positive you're HIV negative is to get tested. There are blood tests, saliva tests, urine tests, even at-home anonymous testing kits (available at most drug stores). If your campus doesn't offer such an option you can get tested at your local

hospital or in the community - often there is minimal or no fees.

GET TESTED IF YOU'VE HAD UNPROTECTED SEX AND ALWAYS BE SAFE.

Harlan is not a licensed psychologist, therapist or physician, but he is a licensed driver.

Write Help Me, Harlan via e-mail at harlan@helpmeharlan.com or through the web at <http://www.helpmeharlan.com>. Send letters c/o Help Me, Harlan, 2506 N. Clark, Suite 223, Chicago, IL 60614. All letters submitted become the property of the column.



Harlan Cohen



Veronica's Visions



ARIES (March 21-April 19):

Great! You love to start new things. Not so great! You very rarely see them through. Getting started is one thing but following through says a lot more. Just try to keep focused.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

Patience may not always be a virtue. Waiting out the long and tedious financial and emotional situations may be wearing you thin. Speak up to find the assistance you didn't know was there.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Everyone seems to want a little piece of you this month. The need for your utmost attention is in demand. But don't think twice about having to say no to a few requests.



CANCER (June 21-July 22):

Reach for the stars because you just might get them. Things are working in your favor, especially career wise. So go for it, set your standards high.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):

Just because you're excited and enthusiastic, doesn't mean everyone else will be. You have new ideas coming out your ears, go with them. You don't need anyone's approval but your own.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):

Hey, Day Dream Believer! Time to think logically about your goals and ideas. Put things into perspective and set the dreams aside for now.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):

Depending on your other half or loved ones is something you do plenty of. But telling them how much you appreciate them is something you don't do enough of. Go ahead, open the lines communication.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

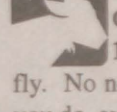
Work, work, work! When will it end? Well, as long as you divvy up your work load and use your time wisely you won't need to work around the clock anymore. Remember,



sleep is a good thing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

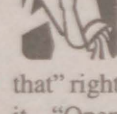
Spot light is on you so put on a happy face. Everyone seems to be in awe of your attention. But while you're a superstar, don't forget about the



little people who get you there.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

Let those built up emotions fly. No need to keep them bottled up as you do, every now and then you've got to let 'em rip. So start peeling the



layers away to a happier day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

Your words aren't "all that" right now, so don't hesitate to button it. "Open mouth, insert foot," may be a motto you'll have to live by for a few days or so.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):

You know what? Your penny watching days aren't quite over yet. Stay focused on your goal and don't be afraid to ask others for help with the situation.

Ursula's Unanswered Questions

Animal Crackers: Are they a cookie or a cracker?

Ah! The question of many Americans, old and young, and an answer that few know.

Animal Crackers date all the way back to Noah and his Ark. Noah was known to have quite a sweet tooth. He was also known to be quite a perfectionist, anything out of place or damaged has to be fixed.

Well, Noah, knowing that his Ark could fit a limited amount of things, he had to find another way to bake his sweets. Baking food in the sun seemed to be the best way.

One day he decided to mix up a little something different and then placed them on the deck to bake in the sun. After he did that he let the animals out for their exercise. For their recreation time they were limited to

certain areas. During a game of tag, things got a little out of hand and all of a sudden there were elephants and giraffes and other animals trampling through Noah's new creation.

animals knew meant they were in trouble. The next thing he saw was that all the little circle shapes he made had been cracked or broken. Noah, being the perfectionist he was, shouted, "You, you animal crackers and breakers!"

After Noah put all the animals back in their places, he was curious to see how they might taste. He found one that wasn't damaged and ate it. It tasted great! So, he kept the recipe.

In honor of his trouble-making arkmates, he called his new invention "You Animal Cracker Breakers!" This title was later shortened to just "Animal Crackers" for marketing purposes.

Also, Noah's word of frustration, "Zheh!" was later adapted as the title of a place to keep animals. The spelling was changed to zoo for the English language.



Message that "power corrupts" woven into upcoming play

By Libby Smith
For The Chanticleer

David Millard, Robin Russell, and 1999 theater graduate Ashley Cribb, directors of *Can't Pay, Won't Pay*, want their audience to feel involved just as the playwright would have liked.

"We want to be very friendly," said Millard, also a CCU theater professor. "We want to give a 'Fo feel.'"

Dario Fo, one of the most performed living playwrights in the world, has a consistent theme throughout his plays, a political agenda. He has been writing and performing since the 1950s, along with

his wife, Francesca Rame, an Italian political figure.

"He is a grand and consistent Marxist, as well as a very good feminist," said Millard.

Can't Pay, Won't Pay is not just one central play, with central figures and a central theme. It is more of a smorgasbord of every political problem possible. The play covers things from Christianity and royalty to brutal police and death. There are a total of four subplots acted out, one dramatizing the first miracle of Jesus. Fo objects to what church authorities have done to Jesus. He also shows another unknown side of



Italian playwright, **Dario Fo's**, play *Can't Pay, Won't Pay* will be performed in Wheelwright beginning on April 14

Queen Elizabeth I, as she becomes older, she was concerned about her appearance and what she can

do to look better. Another subplot is based on an incident in Italy involving police and a man. The man was thrown out the window and was said to have committed suicide. Lastly, death is cheated for an instance in an unusual way by a card player. While Fo is not the politician in the family, he still wants to persuade people to see some point of view. Even though he is addressing a fairly serious subject, he manages to entertain with comedy.

There are 28 characters in the play with eight students to act out them out. The performers include, Tom

Boyle, Evelyn Chafin, Catherine Cook, Kris Lauber, Mike Levesque, Jim Ryan, Mark Short and Steve Thompson, stage manager Abby Brown.

***Can't Pay, Won't Pay* by Dario Fo**

April 14 at 7:30 p.m.

April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

April 16 at 3 p.m.

Perform your favorite song with karaoke, a half hour before the start of the play and during intermissions.

Admission is \$10, \$5 for students under 18, and free with a Coastal ID Wheelwright Auditorium

Students to unveil Archarios MM

By Jordan Shamshak
For The Chanticleer

Each year the theme of *Archarios*, Coastal's student literary art magazine, is different. This year staff members, Diana Hammond, creative director of *Archarios* and her assistant, Leah Butingoro, were victims of Hurricane Floyd. They decided to base the theme on their experiences and the magazine reflects the effects of water damage.

Archarios will present its

publication to the public next week. The opening and unveiling will be at 2 p.m. April 18 in the Admissions Building lobby. A poetry reading will be from 8 to 9:30 p.m. April 27 at Barnes and Noble in Myrtle Beach.

The editorial board consists of campus faculty, staff personnel and professors who are objectively chosen by *Archarios* staff members. The staff and the editorial board judge submitted literary and art pieces. The

staff, in addition to Hammond, includes the editor, Jennifer Karvetsky, Kayatta Scott, Leah Rhodes Miller, Sara Hinshaw, Candice James, Leah Butingoro and the advisor, Paul Olsen.

"I have gained a lot of knowledge working in the *Archarios* office," said Hammond. "You must be dedicated and hard working, also you must learn how to learn to interact with other staff members."

Students anticipate spring's ultimate bash

By Alice Anthony
For The Chanticleer

CINO Day, Friday, April 14 at 11 a.m., will be a time when the whole campus comes together to celebrate Coastal spirit, say goodbye to the wonderful seniors who are graduating, a hello to the summer months and kick off the good times ahead. Members of the Coastal Productions Board have overdone themselves again this year along with the various clubs and organizations who are selflessly donating their time and energy.

On the Prince Lawn, there will be such amusements as the inflatable bouncing room, laser tag, the rock wall, dunking booth and much more.

"It's really a fun day that brings the whole school together to relax and have fun," Brianne Meagher, assistant coordinator of the Coastal Productions Board.

FILM REVIEW

'Ready to Rumble' offers little substance

By Rattaya Nimibutr
The Daily Cougar (U. Houston)

(U-WIRE) HOUSTON — The only thing shielding this film from becoming an "F" is that it contains some relatively humorous moments. That, however, is the only redeeming quality of a film that drags like a crossdresser. It is fun at times, but the overall sorry presentation keeps it from being a roll-on-the-floor comedy.

Ready to Rumble stars

David Arquette, the *Scream* trilogy veteran, and Scott Caan (*Varsity Blues*), as two buddies with dead-end jobs in the small town of Lusk, Wyoming.

The only thing that matters to them is the colorful world of pro wrestling. Their dreams come true after scoring tickets to see their idol, Jimmy King (Oliver Platt), wrestle Diamond Dallas Page at WCW Monday Nitro.

When the shocking end of the match shows King will

no longer retain his crown, King flees from the spotlight in shame. The two knuckleheads then decide to hunt down their hero and help him become a champion again.

Ready to Rumble contains all the glory of wrestling mania and many off-the-wall jokes and scenes. The film focuses on the widespread phenomenon of pro wrestling, featuring The Macho Man, Sting, Goldberg, Disco Inferno and many others.

The film also stars Rose

McGowen (*Jawbreaker*) as the leader of the Nitro Girls, whose dance routines conquer the wrestling ring in between matches.

But where exactly does this film go wrong? The anticipation builds for the final action scene, where King fights in a three-cage setup against Diamond Dallas Page to reclaim his crown. Once you're there, the film rides on a highly-energized level, but it simply takes too long to reach that point.

While humorous stunts

and bizarre jokes are present, it's entirely too painful a process to get to the finale. Director Brian Robbins (*Varsity Blues*) gets a few isolated scenes that work, but they aren't enough to make the film decent.

Ready To Rumble is about as far separated from a "chick flick" as possible, and will most likely draw male wrestling fans to the box office. But even die-hard body-slam fans will probably walk away from this film disappointed.

Campus Calendar

Cultural Celebration Wednesday, April 12

The ninth annual Cultural Celebration Festival will be from 11:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 in Spadoni Park. The festival will include music, food and entertainment. Admission is free.

Blood Drive Thursday, April 13

STAR will sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 13 in front of the Student Center. Sign up in the STAR Office in the Student Center, or register at the American Red Cross table on Thursday.

CINO Day

Friday, April 14

"Coastal is Number One" Day, sponsored by Coastal Productions Board, will start at 11 a.m., Friday, April 14 on the Prince Lawn. Admission is free.

"Can't Pay, Won't Pay" April 14, 15, 16

CCU Theater will perform Dario Fo's "Can't Pay, Won't Pay," at 7:30 p.m. April 14 and 15, and at 3 p.m. April 16, in the Wheelwright Auditorium. Admission is \$10, \$5 for students under 18 and free with a CCU ID.

Archarios Exhibition April 17-30

Enjoy works from the award-winning CCU student art and literary magazine, *Archarios*, April 17-30 in the Admissions Building Gallery. Admission is free.

Senior Thesis April 18

Honors Program Senior Thesis Presentations will start at 3 p.m. April 18 in the Wall Auditorium. For more information, call Clara Rogers at 349-2088.

Shakespeare in the Park April 21

The English Department and Sigma Tau Delta will sponsor Shakespeare in the Park at 1 p.m., April 21 in Spadoni Park. For more information, call Ray Moye at 349-2948.

Honors Convocation April 24

The Honors Convocation will be at 7 p.m. April 24 in the Wheelwright Auditorium.